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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Patent and Inventions Files

1. On Wednesday, 12 March 1969, [REDACTED] (RMO/O/Log) [REDACTED] to ask about storage and disposal requirements for Patent files. I could find nothing on them in the General Schedule and nothing in any of our Master Records Control Schedules. STATINTL

2. Hazel contacted O/Personnel and found that Mr. [REDACTED] (x3292) in TSD at 353 South Building was now the Chairman of the Patent Board and in 1961 he had taken over from [REDACTED] (Mgt. Staff) [REDACTED] the patent files on CIA employees. STATINTL

3. I talked with Mr. [REDACTED] and he informed me he had to [REDACTED] drawers of Patent Board records. He had never retired or disposed of any and these included all he received from [REDACTED] He said there were two other files of Patent and Inventions records in the Office of Logistics and all three contained different material. He felt certain none of it was duplicated in the others. STATINTL

4. Mr. [REDACTED] (x2893) in Procurement Division O/Logistics deals with Patents and Invention records on Agency contractors. Finally Mr. [REDACTED] the General Counsel of the Office of Logistics has the correspondence between the Agency and the Patent Office. STATINTL

5. Mr. [REDACTED] and I also checked the Department of Army Records Control Schedules and find they keep these records Permanently. I checked with National Archives and they feel ours are probably permanent, but if we send them some details they will make a special ruling for us. Our Agency keeps the information on the security classified Inventions and little of it is given to the Patent Office. But, the unclassified items would be fully documented in the Patent Office. STATINTL

6. I phoned [REDACTED] and filled in this background for her. I informed her that until we could separate the classified and unclassified cases we would list all three Patent and Invention Files as Permanent not to be destroyed.

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